## Message

From: Pierard, Kevin [pierard.kevin@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 1/18/2018 5:44:20 PM

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CC: Prichard, Gary [prichard.gary@epa.gov]; Swenson, Peter [swenson.peter@epa.gov]

**Subject**: Response needed - conf call with MPCA on polymet permit

Please let me know which of the following times work best for you:

Jan 24 10am – 11:30am Jan 25 11am – 1pm Jan 30 Noon to 1pm Jan 31 12:30pm - 2pm Feb 1 9:30am – 11:30am

Gary and Peter – this is FYI for you but if you are interested in attending let me know your availability as well

From: Clark, Richard (MPCA) [mailto:richard.clark@state.mn.us]

**Sent:** Thursday, January 18, 2018 10:54 AM **To:** Pierard, Kevin <pierard.kevin@epa.gov> **Cc:** Udd, Jeff (MPCA) <jeff.udd@state.mn.us>

Subject: RE: Draft NPDES/SDS Permit Package for PolyMet Mining's proposed NorthMet Project, St. Louis Co., MN

Good morning Kevin,

Here are some blocks of time over the next couple of weeks that could work for us for a meeting on the draft PolyMet permit:

Wed 1/24 9:30-11:30 Thu 1/25 11:00-1:00 1/30 Tue 8:00-9:00 1/30 Tue 12:00-1:00 Wed 1/31 9:30-11:00 Wed 1/31 12:30-2:00 Thu 2/1 9:30-11:30

Please let me know if any of these could work for your team. I'm thinking either a 60 or a 90 minute meeting would suffice for now. If none of these times work for you, feel free to propose a couple of times that could work and we'll see if we can move some of our conflicting meetings around to accommodate.

Thanks.

Richard

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From: Pierard, Kevin [mailto:pierard.kevin@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, January 17, 2018 12:19 PM

To: Clark, Richard (MPCA) < richard.clark@state.mn.us>

Cc: Udd, Jeff (MPCA) < jeff.udd@state.mn.us>

Subject: RE: Draft NPDES/SDS Permit Package for PolyMet Mining's proposed NorthMet Project, St. Louis Co., MN

Thanks Richard. Also I had spoken to Jeff about having a call on the permit in a week or two. Is that something your office could organize? On our end this would involve Scott Ireland, Candice Bauer, Mark Ackerman in addition to Krista and me. Please let me know.

From: Clark, Richard (MPCA) [mailto:richard.clark@state.mn.us]

Sent: Wednesday, January 17, 2018 11:13 AM

To: R5NPDES < R5NPDES@epa.gov>

Cc: Pierard, Kevin <pierard.kevin@epa.gov>

Subject: Draft NPDES/SDS Permit Package for PolyMet Mining's proposed NorthMet Project, St. Louis Co., MN

To whom it may concern,

Please find attached the MPCA's draft NPDES/SDS permit package for PolyMet's proposed NorthMet mining project in St. Louis County, Minnesota for your review in advance of the formal public notice period. The permit documents include the draft permit, the draft permit Fact Sheet, and several attachments to the Fact Sheet including the Agency's draft surface water antidegradation and draft groundwater nondegradation reviews. In addition, these documents will be available on the MPCA's PolyMet website at: <a href="https://www.pca.state.mn.us/quick-links/water-quality-permit-northmet">https://www.pca.state.mn.us/quick-links/water-quality-permit-northmet</a>.

The draft NPDES/SDS permit package has been forwarded to interested Minnesota tribal entities for their early review. The MPCA is holding public meetings on the draft water quality permit (as well as the draft air permit and draft 401 certification) in Aurora, MN on February 7, 2018 and in Duluth, MN on February 8, 2018. The MPCA's draft NPDES/SDS permit is not yet open for formal public comment at this time, but will be before the public meetings.

Kevin Pierard is being cc'd on this email. Kevin, since the combined file size is so large, please confirm that all 7 attached documents were received.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions about this early notice review period.

Sincerely,

Richard Clark Supervisor Industrial Division 651-757-2280